

J.D. RYAN CALLED TO END MUDDLE

Well-Known Magnate Is to Manage the U. S. Army's Great Aircraft Program

GEN. W. L. KENLY TO CONTROL SERVICE

Signal Corps and Aviation Section Are Virtually Divorced

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The direction of the army's great aircraft production program has been placed in the hands of a civilian, John D. Ryan, copper magnate, railroad man and financier. Secretary of War Baker announced the step last night, disclosing at the same time the reorganization of the signal corps, under which the aviation section virtually is divorced.

Brigadier General William L. Kenly is made chief of the new division of military aeronautics in control of the training of aviators and the military use of aircraft.

IRISH WOMEN PROTEST.

Will Not Take Up Work Previously Done by the Men.

Dublin, April 24.—Irish women are joining the movement against conscription. At a labor meeting in Athlone, the women workers pledged themselves to undertake no work previously done by men. No disturbances were reported from Ireland in connection with the general strike yesterday as a protest against conscription.

TOPSHAM

R. G. Gage and son, Charles, have gone to Bradford to work in the sawmill. P. J. McNamara and Rev. C. A. Lay were at Bradford on Friday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson remains about the same. School went into session Monday morning with the same teachers as last term.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Powers received a telegram last Friday from their son, Roy, who is stationed at Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C., stating that he was in the hospital, where he had submitted to an operation for hernia. His condition was reported favorable.

Some of our young fishermen feel proud of their luck last week. Frank Hood caught 16 the first day and a day or two later Byrnie Powers caught one which measured nine and one-fourth inches, weighing three-fourths of a pound.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lang were at the home of her brother, John Williams of Corinth, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Powers were at Bradford and Piermont on Wednesday.

Rev. J. C. Wright went to St. Johnsbury on Wednesday to attend the session of the annual conference of the M. E. church, which convenes there this week.

The meat cart from Bradford made its first appearance on our streets Wednesday.

Rev. C. A. Lay was indisposed the first of the week.

Dr. G. W. Darling of South Ryegate was called last week to see the little child of Ernest Peterson, who is ill with throat trouble.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Milo Macdon last Saturday.

C. E. Dickerman has sold his Ford car to George Linton of Corinth.

WEeping ECZEMA GREAT DAMAGE DONE IN RAID

SOON RELIEVED

A Perfect Treatment For This Distressing Complaint

WASHINGTON. "I had an attack of Weeping Eczema; so bad that my clothes would be wet through at times. I suffered terribly. I could get no relief until I tried 'Fruit-a-tives' (or Fruit Liver Tablets) and 'Sootha Salva'. The first treatment gave me relief. Altogether, I have used three boxes of 'Sootha Salva' and two of 'Fruit-a-tives', and am entirely well".

G. W. HALL. Both these remedies are sold by dealers at 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, or sent by FRUIT-A-TIVES Limited, OGDENSBURG, N.Y.

"Fruit-a-tives" is also put up in a trial size which sells for 25c.

GAVE MILITARY INFORMATION AND LOSSES FIVE NUMBERS

Court Martial Sentence Upon Naval Lieutenant Who "Told a Friend"—Inconscient Makes No Difference.

Washington, D. C., April 25.—For telling a friend that the naval ship upon which he was serving was to sail for Europe soon with troops on board, Lieut. Walter S. Carrington has been sentenced by a court martial to lose five numbers in his grade. A plea that the information was incorrect was not sustained by the naval authorities, who held that an order prohibiting discussion of questions relating to the movement of naval or military forces must be interpreted broadly.

Scoffers and Doubters

Why Let Prejudice Bind You to a Life of Rheumatic Torture?

Be fair to yourself, you suffer from rheumatism, no matter what form. Go to E. A. Brown & Co. or any good druggist any get a package of Rheuma, the guaranteed prescription. Use the entire bottle, and if you don't think it has given you quick and sure relief, say so, and you can have your money back.

Isn't that a fair offer? Can you see any deceit or red tape about it? What chance do you take? Absolutely none. Then get a bottle of Rheuma to-day. It's a reputable physician's prescription, altogether different from remedies usually prescribed, free from narcotics, and perfectly harmless. Rheuma acts on the kidneys and helps to force the uric acid from the swollen joints and other lodging places. It pleases you in a day; it makes you hopeful and happy in a week. It has released from bondage rheumatic sufferers who thought nothing would give relief. It should do as much for you—it seldom fails.

Don't miss this money-back offer. A large bottle, sufficient for two weeks' treatment, is inexpensive.—Adv.

EAST BARRE

Hobo social and dance for the benefit of the Red Cross Thursday evening, April 25, in opera hall. Good program, interesting sideshows, prize for best hobo costume. Fines will be imposed for jewelry, fine clothes, etc. Taps ice cream. Admission, 10c. Everybody come.

GREAT DAMAGE DONE IN RAID

British Worked Havoc in the Attack on U-Boat Bases

ZEEBRUGGE CANAL PROBABLY BLOCKED

German Defenders Thought the Americans Had Arrived

London, April 25.—Not only was the mouth of the canal at Zeebrugge blocked by Britain's great naval raid, but British sailors and marines who participated in the raid on the German submarine bases believe that they destroyed every gun on the mole, demolished the sheds throughout its entire length and blew up large stores of munitions in the sheds, according to stories given by the survivors to the correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at a Kentish port.

ENLIST VT. LODGES IN W. S. S.

Every Mason in the State Urged to Join Vermont Masonic War Savings Club.

Following out a desire expressed by government officials that the fraternal orders of the country participate, and adopting a plan outlined by State Director Fred A. Howland, the heads of the various Masonic branches have appealed to the Masons of Vermont to form a Vermont Masonic war savings club, the same to be composed of chapters representing each subordinate lodge, chapter, council and commandery in the state. The purpose is to enlist every Mason in the thrift campaign, by means of which the government hopes to raise \$2,000,000,000 for carrying on the war.

The appeal follows: "The government of the United States has made the specific request that the great fraternal order of which you are a part shall lend its aid and exert its influence to the uttermost toward the winning of the war, by the purchase and sale of war savings stamps and certificates."

"The signers of this appeal, representing every Masonic grand body in the state, cordially endorse and voice their approval of the request. Arrangements have been perfected by which the secretary or recorder of every subordinate lodge, chapter, council and commandery in this state will receive your pledge to do your full duty in this hour of your country's peril, as true defenders of your country's flag."

"God save that flag that those who died May not have fought and died in vain." "Let every Mason respond gladly, quickly and in keeping with the teachings of our order, by pledging himself generously to the purchase of the best interest-bearing security that was ever offered by any government in the world to its loyal and liberty-loving people, and thus help to win the war."

(Signed) David A. Elliott, grand master, grand lodge of Vermont, F. & A. M.; George N. Tilden, grand high priest, grand chapter of Vermont, R. A. M.; Dean S. Bliss, grand master, grand council of Vermont, B. S. M.; Frederick H. Rabbit, grand commander, grand commandery of Vermont, K. T.; Henry L. Ballou, 33 degree, commander-in-chief, Vermont council of deliberation; A. A. S. R.

Attest: Henry H. Ross, grand secretary and recorder. It is hoped and expected by State Director Howland that many other fraternal orders in Vermont will join in forming war savings clubs in their organizations and thus do their part toward winning the war for freedom.

RANDOLPH

Mrs. Howe, who has been with her sister, Miss E. S. Fogg, since they came from the South, left Wednesday for her home in Chicago.

Mrs. Ina Gonyea of Bethel came on Wednesday to see Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dales and Mrs. S. M. King, the mother of the latter, who is here from Island Pond and is very ill at her daughter's with erysipelas.

Mrs. E. E. Neill, who lives on the Highlands, is ill with heart trouble and confined to her bed.

Victor Williams of Ridgely, Conn., is passing the week here with Mrs. Martha Williams and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hubbard have gone to Hyde Park, Mass., for a several days' stay with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morton.

Mrs. Frank Coffin of Figma, O., who has come to visit her parents in Bethel, was in town Wednesday calling upon friends. Mrs. Coffin formerly worked for Bell Brothers and she has many friends in town. Mrs. Coffin expects to be in Bethel for a time and went from here Wednesday to visit her husband's relatives in South Ryegate.

Mrs. Clinton Bush of Rochester, who has been in town since last Friday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Drew, left Wednesday for her home.

Liberty day will be observed here on Friday night by a parade and rally. The parade starts from the schoolhouse at 7 p. m. and the following are expected to participate in the same: Band G. A. R., W. R. C., firemen, Board of Trade, schools, Ku Klux Klan, citizens, Red Cross and merchants. All will carry flags, and a large flag is expected to precede each organization. The speaking will be in front of the DuBois & Gay hall immediately following the parade, or, if the weather is stormy, the exercises will be held in the schoolhouse. The speakers are F. A. Howland and Rev. Fraser Metzger.

TEST THE SEED CORN.

Make Sure That You Are Not Planting Useless Seed.

A full stand of every crop is a vital necessity this year, to make sure every acre produces every pound of food possible with the limited supply of labor that is available is the duty of every farmer, furthermore it is a purely economic practice. If poor seed is planted a poor crop will result. Therefore, all the seed planted this year should be tested.

All the school teachers have had instruction as to how to test seed corn. They will show the children how to do it. Every farmer should ask his child or his neighbor's child to take a sample of the seed to school, test it under the supervision of the teachers and report results.

Every ear of seed corn that does not grow will cost the farmer at least \$2. F. H. Abbott, county agricultural agent.

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in an old, burned out, troublesome range when a new Glenwood would save from 100 to 500 lbs. in every ton? Just figure the saving in dollars for one year and then for five or ten years, and you will quickly see why it will pay now as never before to trade that old stove for an up-to-the-minute Glenwood.

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Randolph Inn Garage, Randolph, Vt.

LESS-NEWS ON CASUALTIES BEFORE WE GET MORE

Adjutant General McCain Voices Threat in Refusing to Adopt Canadian Number System.

Washington, April 24.—Adjutant General Henry P. McCain yesterday outlined the war department's reasons for selecting the prospect that it adopt the Canadian system of publishing the soldier's serial number before each name appearing on the casualty lists. He said that the publication of the numbers would be of little, if any, value.

"Every man in the army," said General McCain, "has a serial number which will follow him so long as he is in the service; or rather practically every man has such a number and those who are without numbers now will be given their numbers shortly. However, very little would be accomplished by publishing the serial numbers before the names of soldiers appearing on the casualty lists. The family does not need the serial number for the next of kin is fully informed by a personal telegram from this office. Very few relatives know the serial numbers unless the numbers are given to the families by the men themselves. It would be impossible for the department to notify relatives of the number given a son, husband, brother or cousin. We only know the name of the next of kin, who is notified as soon as we receive a report. Another matter which would have to be considered in publishing numbers is that more mistakes are made by telegraph companies in transmitting figures than in transmitting anything else. The publication of the number of a Joseph D. Jones, for example, would not stop the relatives of all men in the army by that name from asking whether the Joseph D. Jones killed or wounded is their relative. They will ask for the information whether the number is published or not."

PLAINFIELD

Ten per cent discount on all goods sold on strictly cash basis, beginning April 8 and continuing for a limited period; 20 per cent discount on coffee. E. E. Maxfield.



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CIVIL WAR POEM RECALLED.

Is Taken from an Old Number of Harper's Weekly.

The following poem, taken from a number of Harper's Weekly published during the Civil war, has been contributed by Mrs. Laura A. Hood of Brookfield, the sentiment being much like that of the present time.

MOTHER, CAN I GO?

I am writing to you, mother, knowing well what you will say.
When you read with fearful fondness all I write to you to-day:
Knowing well the flame of ardor on a loyal mother's part.
That will kindle with each beating of your heart.
I have heard my country calling for her sons
That still are true:
I have loved that country, mother, only next to God.
And my soul is yearning forward to resist her bitter foe.
Can I go, my dearest mother? Tell me, mother, can I go?

From the battered walls of Sumter, from the wild waves of the sea,
I have heard her cry for succor, as the voice of God to me.
In prosperity I loved her, in her days of dark distress.
With your spirit in me, could I love that country less?

They have pierced her heart with treason; they have caused her sons to bleed.
They have robbed her in her kindness, they have triumphed in her need.
They have trampled on her standard, and she calls me in her need.
Can I go, my dearest mother? Tell me, mother, can I go?

I am young and slender, mother, they would call me yet a boy.
But I know the land I live in, and the blessings I enjoy.
I am old enough, mother, to be loyal, proud and true.

To the sense of duty I have ever learned from you.
We must conquer this rebellion, let the doubting heart be still:
We must conquer it, or perish. We must conquer and we will.

The faithful must not falter, and shall I be wanting? No.
Bid me go, my dearest mother. Tell me, mother, can I go?

He who led His chosen people in their effort to be free
From the tyranny of Egypt will be merciful to me.
Will protect me by His power, whatever I undertake.

Will return me home in safety, dearest mother, for your sake.
Or, should my bleeding country need such a victim as me.
I am nothing more than others who have suffered to be free.

On her bosom let me slumber, on her altar let me lie.
I am not afraid, my mother, in so good a cause to die.

There will be a day of gladness, when the people of the Lord
Shall look proudly on their banner, which His mercy has restored.
When the stars in perfect number, on their azure field of blue,
Shall be clustered in a union, then and ever firm and true.

I may live to see it, mother, when the patriot's work is done.
And your heart, so full of kindness, will beat

HOW TO AVOID BACKACHE AND NERVOUSNESS

Told by Mrs. Lynch From Own Experience.

Providence, R. I.—"I was all run down in health, was nervous, had headaches, my back ached all the time. I was tired and had no ambition for anything. I had taken a number of medicines which did me no good. One day I read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and what it had done for women, so I tried it. My nervousness and backache and

headaches disappeared. I gained in weight and feel fine, so I can honestly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to any woman who is suffering as I was."—Mrs. ADELINA B. LYNCH, 100 Plain St., Providence, R. I.

Backache and nervousness are symptoms or nature's warnings, which indicate a functional disturbance or an unhealthy condition which often develops into a more serious ailment.

Women in this condition should not continue to drag along without help, but profit by Mrs. Lynch's experience, and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and for special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

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